

A. D. 1868. be assumed in said Act contained; and it is further desired, that the State may be allowed to use the same for the establishment and support of a system of common free schools, if the State may so desire.

SEC. 2. Upon the passage of this Act, the Governor of the State is authorized to take such measures as he may deem necessary to secure the early realization of the benefits of the Act above mentioned.

In the Senate House, the twenty-second day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

L. BOOZER, President of the Senate.

FRANKLIN J. MOSES, JR., Speaker House of Representatives.

Approved: ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor.

No. 2. AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AND EMPOWER THE GOVERNOR TO EFFECT A LOAN, IN BEHALF OF THE STATE, OF ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, now met and sitting in General Assembly, and by the authority of the same, That the Governor be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered to negotiate a loan of one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as is necessary to meet the current expenses of the State, at the lowest rate of interest possible; and that, for this purpose, he is authorized to use, as collateral security, such an amount of the Bills Receivable, bonds, stocks, or other securities, owned by the State, as may be necessary to effect the said loan; and the State officers having such Bills Receivable, bonds, stocks, or other securities, in their custody, are hereby authorized and required to deliver the same to the Governor, when called on, for this purpose.

Loan of \$125,000 authorized.
State officers required to deliver State securities to the Governor.

In the Senate House, the eighth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

L. BOOZER, President of the Senate.

FRANKLIN J. MOSES, JR., Speaker House of Representatives.

Approved: ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor.

No. 3. AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE LANGLEY MANUFACTURING COMPANY, OF EDGEFIELD COUNTY.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted* by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, now met and sitting in General Assem-

bly, and by the authority of the same, That William C. Langley, Samuel Keyser and Charles D. Cook, and others, and their associates and successors, are hereby made and created a body politic and corporate, under the name and style of "Langley Manufacturing Company," for the purpose of manufacturing cotton yarns and cloths, paper, and such other fabrics as the demands of the community may require, and for procuring and making such machinery to carry on said manufactures; and also for the transaction of all such business as may be connected with the above purposes, with a capital of three hundred thousand dollars, with the privilege to increase it to any extent not exceeding six hundred thousand dollars, the consent of a majority of the stockholders being first had and obtained.

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Incorporation of company.

Purposes.

Capital.

SEC. 2. The said corporation may purchase and hold such real estate as may be required for their purposes, or such as they may deem it for their interest to take in settlement of any debts due to them, and may dispose of the same; and may erect such mills, machine shops and other buildings thereon as may be deemed necessary; and may sue and be sued, have and use a common seal, and make such by-laws for the regulation and government of said corporation, not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the United States and of this State, as may be deemed necessary; and shall have, generally, all the rights, powers and privileges in law incident or appertaining to corporations.

Powers and privileges.

SEC. 3. That nothing in this Act contained shall ever be so construed as to inhibit or restrain the General Assembly from, at any time, imposing such limitations and restrictions as may be deemed just and proper.

SEC. 4. That this Act shall be a public Act, and shall continue of force during the term of fourteen years.

Term of force.

In the Senate House, the fourteenth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

L. BOOZER, President of the Senate.

FRANKLIN J. MOSES, Jr., Speaker House of Representatives.

Approved: ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE CHERAW HOOK AND LADDER COMPANY AS A PART OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE TOWN OF CHERAW. No. 4.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted* by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, now met and sitting in General Assembly, and by the authority of the same, That Henry McIver, E. M. Wells and W. Lawrence Reid, Jr., and their successors in office, be, and they are hereby, constituted a body corporate and politic, under the name and style of the Cheraw Hook and Ladder Company, with a capital stock not exceeding the sum of five thousand dollars, with the right to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded, in any Court of competent jurisdiction; to have and to use a common seal, and the same to alter at will and

Incorporation.

Capital.

Rights and privileges.

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 Term of force. SEC. 2. This Act shall be deemed a public Act, and shall remain in force for the term of fourteen years.

In the Senate House, the fourteenth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

L. BOOZER, President of the Senate.

FRANKLIN J. MOSES, JR., Speaker House of Representatives.

Approved: ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor.

No. 5. AN ACT REGULATING THE TENURE OF CERTAIN OFFICES AND APPOINTMENTS THERETO, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted* by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, now met and sitting in General Assembly, and by the authority of the same, That all State, District and municipal officers appointed by the General commanding the late Second Military District, in pursuance of, and under the authority of, the reconstruction laws of Congress, or appointed or elected under the late Provisional Government of South Carolina, and not removed by said General commanding, and whose places have not been filled by election or appointment under the new Constitution, shall continue in office until their several offices are filled by the election or appointment and qualification, according to law, of the proper State, County and municipal officers, or until the duties of such officers have been devolved, by authority of the General Assembly, upon other officers duly elected or appointed and qualified according to law under the new Constitution.

SEC. 2. It shall be lawful for any County or State officer, elected at the elections of April 14, 15 and 16, or June 2 and 3, 1868, to file the bond required by law, and qualify for the office to which he has been elected, at any time within twenty days from the passage of this Act, and no later; and upon the filing of such bond and qualifying, according to law, he shall enter upon the duties of said office.

SEC. 3. The elections of April 14, 15 and 16, and of June 2 and 3, 1868, held in conformity with the Acts of Reconstruction, and all orders issued in pursuance thereof, are, and are hereby, declared valid; and all persons elected at such elections are declared to be entitled to the immediate possession of the offices to which they have been elected, upon their qualifying and giving the bonds required by law.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That if any person or persons holding any office or offices in the State of South Carolina shall refuse to surrender to the person or persons elected at the elections of April 14, 15 and 16, and June 2 and 3, 1868, or to the person or persons elected at the elections hereafter to be held under the laws of South Carolina, not inconsistent with the new Constitution of said State, or appointed by the Governor in pursuance of law, such office or offices, together with all moneys, books, records, papers and property of any kind or character whatever,

pertaining thereto, whenever such person or persons so elected or appointed shall have qualified and given the bonds required by law, such person or persons so offending shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and, on conviction thereof, shall be punished by fine and imprisonment—such fine not to be less than one thousand dollars, and such imprisonment not to be less than one year at hard labor in the Penitentiary. All Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SEC. 5. That the provisions of this Act shall not apply to the offices of Judges of the Court of Equity, and of Masters, Registers and Commissioners in Equity, but that the said officers shall, until the first of January, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, continue to discharge the duties and functions of their respective offices for the disposition of causes which are now pending.

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Penalty.

Officers of
the Court of
Equity.

In the Senate House, the fifteenth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

L. BOOZER, President of the Senate.

A. J. RANSIER, Speaker House of Representatives *pro tempore*.

Approved: ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor.

AN ACT TO ORGANIZE THE CIRCUIT COURTS.

No. 6.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted* by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, now met and sitting in General Assembly, and by the authority of the same, In pursuance of Section 13 of Article IV of the Constitution, the State is hereby divided into eight Circuits, as follows:

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| 1. The Counties of Charleston and Orangeburg shall constitute the first Circuit. | First Circuit. |
| 2. The Counties of Edgefield, Barnwell, Colleton and Beaufort shall constitute the second Circuit. | Second Circuit. |
| 3. The Counties of Sumter, Clarendon, Williamsburg, Georgetown and Horry shall constitute the third Circuit. | Third Circuit. |
| 4. The Counties of Chesterfield, Marlboro, Marion, Darlington and Kershaw shall constitute the fourth Circuit. | Fourth Circuit. |
| 5. The Counties of Fairfield, Richland, Newberry and Lexington shall constitute the fifth Circuit. | Fifth Circuit. |
| 6. The Counties of Chester, Lancaster, York and Union shall constitute the sixth Circuit. | Sixth Circuit. |
| 7. The Counties of Abbeville, Laurens and Spartanburg shall constitute the seventh Circuit. | Seventh Circuit. |
| 8. The Counties of Greenville, Anderson, Oconee and Pickens shall constitute the eighth Circuit. | Eighth Circuit. |

SEC. 2. The Circuit Courts in the first Circuit shall be held as follows:

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| 1. The Court of General Sessions, at Charleston, for the County of Charleston, on the first Monday of February, June and November; and the Court of Common Pleas at Charleston, for the County of Charleston, on the second Monday of February, June and November. | First Circuit.
Charleston. |
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- A. D. 1868.** 2. The Court of General Sessions at Orangeburg, for the County of Orangeburg, on the first Monday of January, May and September; and the Court of Common Pleas at Orangeburg, for the County of Orangeburg, on the first Wednesday after the first Monday of January, May and September.
- Second Circuit.** SEC. 3. The Circuit Courts in the second Circuit shall be held as follows:
- Edgefield.** 1. The Court of General Sessions at Edgefield, for the County of Edgefield, on the first Monday of February, June and October; and the Court of Common Pleas at Edgefield, for the County of Edgefield, on the first Wednesday after the first Monday of February, June and October.
- Barnwell.** 2. The Court of General Sessions at Barnwell, for the County of Barnwell, on the fourth Monday of February, June and October; and the Court of Common Pleas at Barnwell, for the County of Barnwell, on the Wednesday after the fourth Monday of February, June and October.
- Colleton.** 3. The Court of General Sessions at Walterboro, for the County of Colleton, on the first Monday after the fourth Monday in February, June and October; and the Court of Common Pleas at Walterboro, for the County of Colleton, on the Wednesday after the fourth Monday of February, June and October.
- Beaufort.** 4. The Court of General Sessions at Beaufort, for the County of Beaufort, on the second Monday of April, August and December; and the Court of Common Pleas at Beaufort, for the County of Beaufort, on the third Monday of April, August and December.
- Third Circuit.** SEC. 4. The Circuit Courts in the third Circuit shall be held as follows:
- Sumter.** 1. The Court of General Sessions at Sumter, for the County of Sumter, on the first Monday of January, May and August; and the Court of Common Pleas at Sumter, for the County of Sumter, on the first Wednesday after the first Monday of January, May and August.
- Clarendon.** 2. The Court of General Sessions at Manning, for the County of Clarendon, on the third Monday of January, May and August; and the Court of Common Pleas at Manning, for the County of Clarendon, on the first Wednesday after the third Monday of January, May and August.
- Williamsburg.** 3. The Court of General Sessions at Kingstree, for the County of Williamsburg, on the first Monday of February, June and September; and the Court of Common Pleas at Kingstree, for the County of Williamsburg, on the first Wednesday after the first Monday of February, June and September.
- Georgetown.** 4. The Court of General Sessions at Georgetown, for the County of Georgetown, on the third Monday of February, June and October; and the Court of Common Pleas at Georgetown, for the County of Georgetown, on the first Wednesday after the third Monday of February, June and October.
- Horry.** 5. The Court of General Sessions at Conwayboro, for the County of Horry, on the second Monday of March, July and November; and the Court of Common Pleas at Conwayboro, for the County of Horry, on the first Wednesday after the second Monday of March, July and November.
- Fourth Circuit.** SEC. 5. The Circuit Courts in the fourth Circuit shall be held as follows:
- Chesterfield.** 1. The Court of General Sessions at Chesterfield, for the County of Chesterfield, on the first Monday of January, May and August; and the